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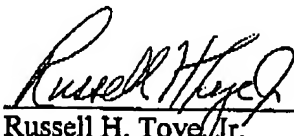
### REMARKS

Claims 1-44 are pending in the application.

Independent claims 1, 16, 24 and 32 have been amended. The phrase "between the seal and the current collector" has been inserted after "pressure relief passage" in the last line of each of these claims. Bases for the amendments is found on page 8, lines 4-6, and page 10, lines 16-18, as well as in Figs. 2, 6, 9 and 13 of the application as originally filed. No new matter has been introduced.

Respectfully submitted,

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